

The Eglinton Hunt Branch of the Pony Club

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Eglinton Rallies and Competitions Summer 2006

TUESDAY 13th JUNE

12 & OVER EVENING RALLY at Titwood Farm, Kilmours 6.30-8.30pm. X.C. jumping so bring a back protector. £8 charge, £6 per additional family member, to be sent with rally slip. Organiser Tina Hazlem 01560-484173. Any 12 year old member going to Junior Camp must go to the 14th June rally – you can't go to both.

WEDNESDAY 14TH JUNE

12 AND UNDER EVENING RALLY at Auchinleck 6.30 – 8.30pm. Please bring a back protector. Will all juniors going to camp come as Julia Kerr will assess and put you in rides ready for Junior Camp. Organiser Tina 01560-484173

WEDNESDAY 28TH JUNE

TEAM SHOW JUMPING TRIALS at Auchinleck Estate 6.30-8.30 for Area Teams. Anyone interested in Intermediate, Novice Challenge & Junior Teams please come to the Trials. Organiser Martyn Pawson 01560-322609. If you can't come to the trials let Gordon Ridland know (01292-591828).

SUNDAY 2ND JULY -
THURSDAY 6TH JULY

SENIOR & JUNIOR CAMPS at Auchinleck Estate.
Details Enclosed.

WEDNESDAY 12TH JULY

RALLY at Barskimming Estate, Mauchline. 12 & Over 9.30-12.30am; 11 & Under 1.00-4.00pm. X.C. jumping so bring a back protector. Organiser Tina Hazlem. £8 charge, £6 per additional family member, to be sent with rally slip. Anyone interested in the Eventing Teams to attend.

WEDNESDAY 26TH JULY

AREA DRESSAGE at Auchinleck Estate, details inside.

THURSDAY 27TH JULY

AREA EVENTING at Auchinleck Estate, details inside.

WEDNESDAY 9TH AUGUST

RALLY at Auchinleck Estate. 12 & Over 9.30-12.30am; 11 & Under 1.00-4.00pm. X.C. instruction, so you must have a back protector. Organiser Tina Hazlem 01560-484273. There will be a fee of £8, £6 per additional family member, to be sent in with rally slip.

MONDAY 14TH AUGUST

TEST AFTERNOON at Auchinleck Estate at 1.30pm. Anyone wishing to take their D, D+ or C Test please come along. Organiser Tina Hazlem. You must have passed your P.C. Road Safety Test before you take your C Test.

The D.C's Word

It's a late Spring again and it has already started well. Eglinton's Nan Paton is the trainer of the Scottish Games Team this year competing at the Windsor Horse Show against England, Wales and Ireland. Wales were in the lead going into the final session. Scotland needed to win the final game with Wales finishing last. It was the big sack race – Wales lost and Scotland won!! Well done to Nan and her Team.

Also at Windsor, Robert Noble, the most successful games trainer ever, was presented with the Daks Friend of The Pony Club Award. Robert was delighted – he flew down with British Airways and “flew” back with Danny Wilson in a Range Rover.

2006 is the 50th year of the Prince Philip Cup and the Horse Of The Year Show has invited the winning 49 teams from previous years to parade on the Sunday night, when the Prince Philip Cup is presented. The Show asked us to trace the 13 winning Eglinton teams starting in 1978, when Robert's daughter Enice was in the team. We have managed to trace everyone and there will be a huge group of ex-Eglinton members and their families going to HOYS this year!

This is going to be a busy year and your help is really needed. Last year we ran the Area 19 Dressage Competition. This year (following the Auchinleck BE) we are again running the Area Dressage and the next day running the Area Eventing! Many of you helped at the Area Dressage last year, but the Area Eventing will need a lot more helpers. Please take a midweek day or two off to help (Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th July). Vivien McConechy (01292-445555) is recruiting jump judges and stewards for the PC Area Eventing, Auchinleck BE, Barskimming BE and Culzean BE. She would be delighted to get offers of help for any of the dates – Auchinleck 22/23rd July, PC Area 27th July, Barskimming 7/8th July and Culzean 17th September.

We in the Eglinton support these Horse Trials and we are allowed to use their facilities for training and rallies, etc. after the events. Many of our members compete at them.

Culzean, in September, is a Horse Trials in a unique setting. Katrina Geddes is taking over as organiser from Lady Fergusson, who has done it for more years than I care to remember. She and Vivien will be delighted if you can offer help for this or the other events.

I still see Eglinton parents and members helping at Horse Trials as far north as Burgie – they get a ringside seat and jump judges work in pairs at a jump – you will not be alone!

We obtained lottery money from Sport Scotland to build a set of portable Intro/Novice Challenge cross country jumps so that we could run the Area 19 Novice Challenge Eventing. This will also be the basis of the new Intro courses at Auchinleck and Culzean and perhaps next year at Barskimming. We will also be using them for PC cross country training.

The Area Dressage, Show Jumping and Eventing have a new class, the Intermediate, to bridge the gap between Novice (Novice Challenge that was) and Open. The qualifiers will qualify for the championships at Sansaw.

CAMP is being planned – new stables, built by Gordon Ridland and Andrew Hunter (in their spare time). These will provide a higher level of security for horses. The charge for Camp (which was rapidly filled) rose slightly, but is less than half that charged by other Branches. We can only do this with your help.

My thanks for all of you who have helped to tow/load/unload the jumps.

Martyn Pawson. D.C.

? WHO'S WHO 2006?

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➤ **Notices - Reminders for all members:**

- ◆ **Rallies** - you **MUST** complete the attached attendance form on the final page and send it in plenty of time if you are going to attend a rally. If you change your mind after completing the form please give Tina Hazlem a ring on 01560-484173 between 6 and 7pm, or email. This lets us arrange instructors - to avoid large groups and give you more tuition. Other points:
 - Anyone needing directions to get to rallies please check the web-site or call Tina.
 - Please be ready at the START times for rallies – leave plenty of time to get mounted.
 - If a member is being left on his/her own will parents please ask another responsible adult to keep an eye on him/her and inform the organiser. **Members must not be left on their own.**
 - At rallies members aged 4 and under must be led by their parent at all times, those aged 5 must have their instructor's permission to come off the lead rein. Older members must only walk their ponies until they reach their instructor. All members are the responsibility of their parent until they reach their instructor.
 - Remember; if the weather is very bad we may finish early.
 - Suitable dress for mounted rallies includes self-coloured shirt, polo shirt and an Eglinton Sweatshirt.
 - Remember you are not allowed to wear jewellery when riding for safety reasons.
 - The Barskimming, Titwood and Auchinleck Rallies have a fee that must be sent with the attendance slip, if you do not send your attendance and cheque in on time we will charge an extra £2 per member. Too many members are just turning up at rallies or only letting Tina know the day before, so we do not have enough instructors. Get the slips in a week before the rally.
- ◆ **Hats** must be worn at all times when mounted, properly fitted and fastened. Hats must have one of the following numbers inside 1) PAS 015:1998, EN 1384:1996, BS EN 1384:1997 (all must carry the BSI Kitemark). 2) Snell E2001 with the official Snell label and number. 3) AS/NZS 3838:1998, or AS/NZS 3838:2003. The PAS 015:1998 and the Snell E2001 meet higher impact criteria and therefore give more protection. All hats must be inspected and tagged before you ride at rallies and competitions. We will be tagging at rallies.
- ◆ **Body Protectors** must be worn for all Events/Rallies with Cross-Country, and we recommend they be worn at all times when riding.
- ◆ **Medical Armbands** are compulsory at **all** PC XC competitions - these are to help improve safety at these events. If you need an armband contact us by e-mail: eglintonpc@yahoo.co.uk or ask at the next rally.
- ❖ **Eglinton Pony Club Sweatshirts** in various sizes and colours. A new range of **polo and rugby shirts** are available so please order from Helen Speirs on 01294-823453 before 7th June.

PONY CLUB CAMPS 2006 – 2nd July to 6th July. Auchinleck Estate will be the location for Camp and there are lots of activities planned. Many thanks to Mr. & Mrs. James Boswell for letting us use Auchinleck. There will be a sale of second hand tack and clothing at camp, so if you have any please phone Katrina Geddes 01655-740345.

SENIOR CAMP

This year at Camp we have some great instructors, lecturers, Demo's and fun activities planned for everyone. The instructors this year will be: Trisha Hunter, Jane Belding, Tina Hazlem, Susie Speirs, Leona Urquhart, Aileen Craig and Elspeth Gilchrist.

The same rules as last year will apply - no alcohol and no smoking by any members at Camp. Any member at Camp found abusing this rule will be sent home.

Senior Camp is already full with a wait list in case someone cannot come. You will be sent further details about Camp nearer the time.

JUNIOR CAMP

Junior Camp is also full at the moment but there is a wait list for this as well. Everyone going to Junior Camp should go to the rally on Wednesday 14th June at Auchinleck where Julia Kerr, one of the organisers, will assess you and put you into rides for Camp.

NEWS

➤ **RALLIES**

The dismounted rally at Rosemount in March was our first rally of the year with tuition aimed at improving horse and pony care for Pony Club tests up to B level. It was very well attended, as were the other indoor rallies over the Easter period.

➤ **XC TRAINING**

The cross country training day at Titwood with Trisha Hunter was very successful with 3 rides enjoying 2 hours of jumping. Titwood has 3 foot and 2 foot 6 inch cross country jumps and is much closer than Strathearn Eventing, as it is near Kilmours.

➤ **Tests**

Those wishing to take their Road Safety Test please phone Frances Pearson 01505-850279. She will be arranging tuition and the test over the Summer.

➤ **EGLINTON GAMES COMPETITION AND AREA GAMES QUALIFIER**

Our annual Games Competition was held at Lanark Racecourse again this year and we were very lucky with the weather as it was a sunny day. There were 13 senior teams and 7 junior teams competing. The Senior A's won the Senior Competition with the B's coming 3rd, and the Junior A's won the Junior Competition with the B Team 5th. Well done all of you! We held a Senior pairs competition in the lunch hour which everyone seemed to enjoy.

Many thanks go to Robert Noble and all his helpers who made it such a successful day.

The Area 19 Games Qualifier was held on 21st May at Lanark Racecourse. Both the Senior A Team and The Junior A Team won! This means they have both qualified for the Zone. The Senior B Team came 3rd and also qualified, as the first 4 teams go to the Zone. The Senior C Team came 7th and the Junior B's came 5th.
Congratulations!

➤ Teams and Training

We have had some tuition for teams this year and more has been arranged, so anyone interested in joining the Teams please ring the appropriate trainer as soon as possible – see under the appropriate discipline below. There are 3 or 4 riders in each team, with the best 3 scores counting. Individuals can also enter at interbranch level. All members in a qualifying team must be prepared to travel to the finals; otherwise it is not fair on the other members of your team.

❖ EVENTING TEAMS

- Anyone interested in Horse Trials ring Aly Boswell 01290-551517 or Trisha Hunter 01560-322156. Aly is training the Interbranch and Intermediate, and Trisha the Novice Challenge.



Aly is not allowed to run a Pony Club Class at Auchinleck this year, but she is holding an Intro Class for the first time – 3 foot jumps.

Vivienne McConechy 01292-445555 is **looking for jump judges** for this event.



British Eventing (BE) is not running Pony Club Classes at any events this year but non-registered riders and horses can get “Day Tickets” to compete in BE Intro, Pre-novice and Novice events. Details from Eglinton PC website under Eventing.

- **Area Competition** – Eglinton is running the Interbranch, Intermediate and Novice Eventing Competitions this year at Auchinleck on the 27th July. So we will need lots of help.

▪ Levels

Interbranch Level 5 – this is a qualifier for the Pony Club Championships at Sansaw Park, Shropshire.

- ⇒ Dressage – PC Area Eventing Dressage Test 2005.
- ⇒ Cross Country – Max. Height 1.10m (3’7”) the more difficult jumps will have “L” jump alternatives.
- ⇒ S.J. – max. height 1.10m (3’7”) except for two fences at 1.15m (3’9”)

Area Levels:

- **Open** (Interbranch) – This is the highest level of competition in the Pony Club; any age can enter if they are capable
- **Intermediate** – a new level this year. No age limit.
- **Novice** (National Novice Challenge) – this is aimed at riders who are too old to compete in Junior competitions, but cannot manage Interbranch or Intermediate level; however, there is no age limit.
- **Junior** – a class usually with an age limit 13 years and under.

Also individual competition – (all team members automatically entered).

Intermediate Level 4 – this is a qualifier for the Pony Club Championships at Sansaw Park, Shropshire. Riders must not have competed under FEI Rules and must not have completed the Open Area in the previous year.

Dressage – PC Novice Eventing 2006

Cross Country – Max. Height 1.00m (3’3”).

S.J. – Max. Height 1.05m (3’5”).

Also an Individual competition – (all team members automatically entered).

Area Novice Eventing Riders must not have competed at PC Area level (Interbranch) or Intermediate in Eventing, S.J. or Open Tetrathlon and not competed in BE Competitions above Intro level, or under FEI rules. Riders must not have been placed 1-6th at the Novice Championships in Eventing.

Horses must not have competed in Eventing, S.J. at PC Area level (Interbranch) or Intermediate in the current year; but may have done so with another rider in preceding years and not competed BE Pre-Novice or above in current year.

⇒ Dressage – PC Novice Eventing 2006.

⇒ X.C. – Maximum height 0.9m (2’11½”) Long routes and “L” jumps to encourage riders to get round.

⇒ S.J. – Maximum height 0.95m (3’1”).

⇒ The winning team qualifies for the finals at Smallwood, Cheshire 26th -27th Aug.

SHOW JUMPING

Area Competition – all levels held on 2nd August at Coxhill Equestrian Centre, Candie.

- S.J. Team Trials for the Intermediate, Novice Challenge and Junior competitions are at Auchinleck Estate on Wednesday evening 28th June. Starting with Junior level then Novice Challenge and Intermediate. Anyone interested in the Interbranch Team Phone Martyn Pawson for details 01560-322609.

- **Show Jumping Tuition** with John Geddes at Rosemount has been arranged so anyone interested phone Christine Jamieson 01563-830818

- **Levels**

- **Interbranch** – First round max. 1.09m (3'7"), 2nd round max. 1.14m (3'9"). Striding is for horses. The final at Sansaw Park – first round 3'9". All team members are automatically included in an individual competition with a separate jump-off, and two individuals can be entered.

- **Intermediate** – First round Max. Height 1.00m (3'3") Championship 1.05m (3'5"). There will be an individual Competition. Combinations must not have competed in BSJA competitions above Junior Newcomers or Senior Discovery.

Riders must not have completed the Open Area S.J. in the previous year.

- **National Novice Challenge** - First round max. 0.9m (2'11 1/2"), 2nd round 1m (3'3") will be timed. The winning team qualifies for the finals at Smallwood, Cheshire on 26th August. Riders must not have competed at Interbranch level at S.J. or Eventing or under FEI rules and riders must not have competed BSJA above Junior Newcomers 1st round or Senior Discovery 1st Round. The must not have been placed 1st-6th in a Team at Novice Championships in S.J. Horses/ponies must not have competed at Interbranch or Intermediate level in S.J., Eventing or Open Tetrathlon in the current year but may have done so with another rider in previous years. Ponies/horses must not be currently registered BSJA in Grades A, B, or JA or have been registered in these grades in the previous two years.

- **Junior** – Juniors must be 13 or under on 1st January 2006 and not to have competed at Area Interbranch level. Max. First round height 2'6". Ponies only.

❖ GAMES

Our games teams have already been chosen for this year as they have to practice from January onwards. The Senior team members must be under 15 on the 1st January 2006 and the Junior team members must be under 11 on the 1st January 2006. They practiced once a week at Muirmill Equestrian until the clocks changed and then twice a week at the Dundonald field. Hard work, but as usual it seems to be paying off, as they are all doing very well in all the competitions so far. Good luck at the Zone at Castle Doune on the 16th July.

The Teams and Trainers are:

Senior A – Amy Ferguson, Gina Mitchell, Chelsea Burns, Rachel Offer and Mary Pearson Trainer Robert Noble.

Senior B – Beth Ingram, Claire Gaffney, Ellis Simister, Victoria Lind and Katie Offer. Trainer Jimmy Robertson.

Junior A - Caitlyn Cunningham, Tyler McWilliam, Hamish McIntosh, Shelby McWilliam and Elise Harker. Trainer Mary Mitchell.

Junior B – Chelsea Gaffney, Rachael Scott, Ashley McColm, Tiffany and Sophie Targell-Worth. Trainer – Olwyn Gaffney.

DRESSAGE

Area 19 Dressage Competition is on 26th July at Auchinleck Estate – we are running it.

- Anyone interested in being in the teams phone Tina Hazlem 01560-484173. Tina will arrange tuition starting in June for those living in the north – she lives at Dunlop. Those living in the south please phone Amanda Fergusson at Kilkerran 01655-740207. The cost will be £8 per session with very small groups.

▪ Levels

Interbranch – winning team qualifies for the National Championships at Sansaw Park on 21-24th August. Team members are also automatically entered in an individual competition. Horses graded British Dressage Advanced Medium Level or above or have competed at AM level or above during the current year are not eligible. **The Test will be Pony Club Dressage Area Test 2004.**

Intermediate – Teams will qualify for Sansaw. Any horse or rider may only compete at one dressage level. Combinations must not have won BD Points at Elementary or above. Combinations must not have competed at Open Area in Dressage, Eventing or S.J. Riders must not have competed under FEI rules at any time. Horses must not have competed under FEI rules in current or previous year. Horses

maybe graded BD Novice or below. **The test will be Novice Dressage Championship Test 2005.**

National Novice Challenge – the winning team qualifies for the finals at Smallwood, Cheshire on 26th August. There will also be a Combined Training at Smallwood. Riders must not have competed at Open or Intermediate level at Dressage, S.J. or Eventing; or under FEI Rules or won any British Dressage points. They must not have been placed 1-6th at the Novice Championships Dressage. Horses/ponies must not have competed at Open or Intermediate level in the current year but may have done so with another rider in preceding years. The horse can have competed at BD Competitions at Preliminary and Novice level but must not have won any points. They may not have competed under FEI Rules. **The Test is the PC Novice Dressage Test 2004.**

Junior – the riders must be 13 or under on the 1st January 2006 and not have competed in a PC Area interbranch level team. **The test is PC Introductory Dressage Test 1995.**

❖ TETRATHLON

The Area 19 Tetrathlon Area Competition will be at Edderston Farm, Peebles on 20/21st July; this will include the Junior and Mini Competitions.

▪ Levels

Tetrathlon is usually run at four levels from mini/mini to Open and split into boys and girls teams. It consists of running, shooting, swimming and Cross Country. The ages for the different classes are: Open 15 and over, Junior 12 to 14, Mini 10 and 11 and Mini/Mini 9 and under. The winning teams and individuals qualify for the Championships at Warwickshire College, Moreton Morrell on 18-20th August.

- Will anyone interested in being in the Tetrathlon teams please phone Gordon Ridland 01292-591828. Gordon will give you details of competitions in Scotland and will arrange tuition.

Pony for Loan

Freddie a Welsh Section A Gelding for loan. An 8 year old P.C. Pony who has done all Pony Club activities. A lovely pony but a bit sharp.

Phone Katrina Geddes - 01655-740345